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SUBJECT:VISIT OF GOI PORTS/RAILROADS STUDY TEAM

REF: TEHRAN (A) 5852 AND (B) 5988

1. DOT IS PREPARED TO RECEIVE GOI STUDY TEAMS FOR TWO TO
THREE WEEK VISIT SUBJECT TO CLEAR UNDERSTANDING THAT ALL
EXPENSES OF TEAM WILL BE BORNE BY IRANIAN SIDE. GOI MAY
EITHER PREPAY VISIT COSTS (AS IT HAS DONE IN PAST) OR PAY
FOR SERVICES (HOTELS, ETC.) DURING COURSE OF VISIT. IN
EITHER CASE DOT PLEASED TO MAKE NECESSARY VISIT ARRANGE-
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MENTS. PLEASE ADVISE WHICH APPROACH GOI PREFERS. FYI:

DETAILED ITINERARIES WILL BE COMPLETED SUBJECT TO ANSWER
TO QUESTION PARA. 2 BELOW AND WILL THEN BE CABLED TO
EMBASSY FOR TRANSMITTAL TO GOI SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION THAT
GOI IS BEARING TEAM EXPENSES. END FYI.

2. RE PARAS. 1 AND 2 REF. A BINDER-PAKDMAN ONLY DIS-
CUSSED GENERAL OUTLINES OF STUDY TEAM VISITS AND DID NOT
GO INTO FINANCING OR ITINERARY REQUIREMENTS. BINDER'S
LETTERS TO PAKDMAN OF MAY 5 AND MAY 22 REQUESTED SPECIFIC
INFORMATION WHICH NOT YET RECEIVED. ITINERARY CAN BE
PREPARED WITHOUT THIS INFORMATION, BUT DOT BELIEVES PROGRAM
WOULD BE MORE USEFUL TO GOI IF BASED ON REQUESTED ANSWERS,
AND EMBASSY REQUESTED ADVISE DOT WHETHER THESE WILL BE

FORTHCOMING.

3. DOT'S FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION (FRA) IS
CONCERNED OVER GOI'S APPARENT ASSUMPTION THAT HIGHWAY
MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT FIRMS CONTAINED IN FHWA LIST ARE
ALL QUALIFIED TO PERFORM WORK IN RAILROAD FIELD. FRA
BELIEVES SUCH ASSUMPTION WOULD EXCLUDE MANY HIGHLY
QUALIFIED FIRMS IN RAILROAD FIELD. KISSINGER

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